MINUTES OF MEETING COMMON COUNCIL CITY OF MONTICELLO MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, October 17, 2011, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Council Members Dave Kelly, Jim Mann, Grace Oilar, Bill Smith, and Eric Storm, and City Attorney George Loy.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the meeting on Monday, October 3, 2011, a motion was made by Council Member Grace Oilar, and seconded by Council Member Eric Storm, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Mayor Jason Thompson congratulated Street Superintendent Doug Roberts for being named the Municipal Employee of the Year in the State of Indiana at the IACT Conference luncheon in Indianapolis on October 10th. Doug thanked everyone and stated that it was greatly appreciated. Leaf season has started. They are picking up brush today and tomorrow. This will be the final on brush until hopefully spring. Doug has hired two part time employees to help with leaf pickup. There will be five to six days in between pickups. The new dump truck is ready to go and well worth the cost.

Sewer Superintendent Joe Mowrer stated that they have completed step one of their plant upgrade and it is up and running. They are gearing up for land application. There is a pump out at the City Park lift station which they are working to repair or replace. Other than that, it is business as usual.

Water Superintendent Rod Pool stated that they have had a few more issues with the filters at the plant. They are not done with them, but do have a plan of attack to get them fixed. These are the filters on the hatches and the gaskets, and the air relief valves. They are all plumbed together and not individually, which makes it hard to figure out the problem. They are going to change some of this to better service them. Locates are finally winding down on Sixth Street.

Fire Chief Swaim stated that he gave the Council the run report from last month. Runs were down from the previous month. They have started their in house projects and hope to finish those throughout the winter. The Fire Department is receiving a \$1,200.00 fire prevention grant from FM Global. Firefighters Cole Gilbert and Eric Lamb worked on this grant. This grant will provide equipment for fire investigations. Everything is normal and all equipment is up and running.

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that he will get the Council the monthly totals at the next Council meeting due to time spent hiring a new Patrolman. They have a few investigations that they are working on and are making good progress with them. He has a few officers in the elementary schools teaching some different things. Right now things are pretty relaxed.

Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that the Lifesong Church helped a few weeks ago at the Park. They painted a pavilion that needed painted. The curbing is done at Jordan Park. The Eagle Scouts have been working the last couple of weekends on the boardwalk. They would like to have the boardwalk completed next Sunday. Mitch is looking to close the bathrooms on Monday, October 31st. Things are going well in his department.

<u>Adoption 2012 Budget Ordinance 2011-15; Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates</u>

Council Member Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2011-15; Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates, seconded by Council Member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Council Member Grace Oilar made the motion to approve the accounts payable as presented, seconded by Council Member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Liz Oilar, IAMC, CMC City Clerk Treasurer